

"MAN ALONE SHALL WOO."

To This Deceit Gertrude Atherton Attributes Woman's Decadence.

I think there is little doubt that this world old statute that the man alone shall woo has more to do with keeping down the mental and moral tone of woman, with cultivating her ignoble talents for deceit and intrigue, than any of the other forces which she finds arrayed against her, says Gertrude Atherton in the Delineator for August. It is not the softening influence of the matrimonial and maternal states that works so many miracles, but the abrupt removal of the necessity to practice a demoralizing self control to appear something that she is not, to still much ugly anger and resentment. I have known many girls, plentifully endowed with good looks and charm, to confess that they have "lain awake nights scheming how to get that man," only in nine cases out of ten to find him later on quite unworthy the trouble.

We are all familiar with the selfishness, the slyness, the lack of real frankness, in what might be called the threshold girl—anywhere between seventeen and nineteen. This is nothing worse than the mating instinct driving her blindly until she has learned to play her part with taste and tact. During that period she gropes about in her still childish brain for those qualities that will enable her to hold at least her own in the great game and she is the more befuddled because of that curious tradition that a girl must seem other than she is.

Of course with only this old standard of femininity, and being still fluid and plastic, the poor things more often than not model themselves upon some favorite heroine of romance and are only knocked into shape by those indefatigable partners, life and time. Some of our western girls, it is true, have a disposition to rush at a man with both arms outstretched—one sees it constantly among the second class bordes traveling in Europe. And this I infer is the primitive impulse of almost primitive tribes to get what they want in the shortest time possible. But even these girls, when they are walking more thoughtfully in their twenties, when they are "young ladies," evolve a far finer set of adolescence and cultivate those qualities which when persisted in long enough make them more than a match for any man.

PLANS OF THE SUFFRAGISTS.

Mrs. Belmont Forming a New Society. Ida Husted Harper to Edit Progress.

Details have been announced recently concerning the campaign to be waged from the new headquarters of the National Suffrage association on the seventeenth floor of 505 Fifth avenue, New York.

The association is to occupy five rooms, the largest of which extends across the full width of the building. Opening from it at one side is a small room for mailing purposes and on the other side will be the private office of the president, the Rev. Anna Shaw. The adjoining rooms will be given up exclusively to national press work and editing the paper Progress.

The next two rooms will be occupied by the New York state headquarters. The Fifth avenue front will be divided into two rooms, the largest of which will be used as a library and reception room. The other will be the headquarters of a new society now being formed by Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont.

The headquarters will be in charge of Professor Frances Squires Potter, who has just been elected corresponding secretary of the National Suffrage association.

Mrs. Ida Husted Harper has been made chairman of the national press committee and will edit the paper.

KITCHEN KRINKLES.

If a portion of your turnips are too small to pare boil them first and then rub the skins off with your hands.

The next time you use gasoline to clean any delicate fabric add a little cornmeal. The meal will scour out all the spots.

If food is scorched in the cooking remove the pan from the stove and place it in a larger pan of cold water. Then place a dish towel over the pan. The towel will absorb all the scorched taste from the steam and when placed on the table there will be no taste of the scorching.

If you have never tasted potatoes baked in the following manner then you have never really tasted baked potatoes. Before baking let them stand in a pan of cold water for about an hour, then place them in the oven and bake in the usual manner. The steam so generated will make them cook more rapidly.

Though the average housekeeper apparently isn't aware of the fact that a waste basket in the kitchen is a useful thing the fact remains that it is. Try one under your kitchen table in which to throw all wrappers from parcels and other odds and ends that cannot be placed in the garbage or in the ash pail. It is also a good idea to hang a small bag over the kitchen table and use it as a receptacle for odds and ends of string and cord.

Packing Hats.

In packing your hat for the summer vacation see that the crown is well stuffed, so it will not become crushed.

It is not necessary to use tissue paper for this. Stockings, handkerchiefs and other soft articles of clothing will answer the purpose quite as well.

If the hat boasts of ribbon loops see that these, too, are kept in shape with crumpled tissue paper.

Pin the hat carefully into the trunk, so it will not slip around in transit.

THE SPORTING WORLD**Ball's Big Improvement.**

It has often been said that a change of scene often benefits a ball player. This seems to be so in the case of Neil Ball, the former New Yorker, now a member of the Cleveland Americans. When with the Highlanders Ball played an inconsistent game, but since joining the Naps he has put up a rattling good game at short. In a recent game against Boston Ball made a triple play unassisted.

Ball's great achievement probably saved the game for his team. Wagner and Stahl of the Red Sox opened the



NEIL BALL OF THE CLEVELAND AMERICANS

second inning with clean singles. On the hit-and-run Ball went over to cover second, and so was in a position to spear McConnell's vicious liner, almost directly over the bag. He had but to step on the cushion to double up Wagner, who had left with the pitch. Stahl had such a lead off first that he was unable to stop until he was within a step or two of Ball. Neal had then but to tag him before he could recover to complete the triple put out. Ball has the distinction of making the first play of this kind that has ever been seen in the major leagues. Only six times previously in the history of baseball has the play occurred.

To Boom Horse Racing.

August Belmont's announcement that he will race almost exclusively in America in future is regarded as excellent proof that the turf in this country will not be obliterated. Mr. Belmont has paid an unusual amount of attention to racing here this season, visiting the tracks almost daily, and says he is convinced that the public will support the game with enough liberality to keep it alive, even if it may be several years before the old popularity returns. Mr. Belmont's determination to have thirty nursery bred yearlings turned over to Trainers John Whalen and Thomas Welsh to be prepared for next season's campaign on the metropolitan tracks is the result of careful observation and, it is thought, will result in other big turfmen following the example of the Jockey club's chairman. Mr. Belmont will send three yearlings to England more as a compliment to Trainer Watson than for any other reason. But superb breeding establishments in Kentucky will be shown on the New York race courses.

Steady 2:10 Trotters Scarce.

The two minute trotter appeared six years ago, and the trotters that have beaten 2:05 number sixteen, but the person who can breed or develop a horse so that he can trot three successive beats in 2:10 can get a price for him that will pay well for the effort and he can also earn money enough in one year with such a horse to keep the owner in good condition the following year. While the list of 2:10 trotters is a long one, filling over two pages in the year book, the fact remains that a 2:10 trotter is good enough to win in any country if he can trot three successive heats that fast, and the people who go to harness races will always enthuse over an trotter that can do it.

Changes In Athletic Rules.

At the last meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States steps were taken for important changes in the rules governing championships of the A. A. U. and the legislation committee was instructed at that time to prepare new rules providing for several new events—namely, the hop, step and jump and throwing the javelin. These have been added to the championship list, as has also the ten mile run. The ten mile run has not been given for several years past, but it is now made one of the annual fixtures.

Vanderbilt Heads Winning List.

W. K. Vanderbilt heads the list of winners on the French turf since the season opened on March 12 last, his horses having won \$100,000 up to July 15. Maurice Rothschild comes next, with a total of \$121,200. Baron de Rothschild's horse Verdun was the greatest single winner, \$110,000, including the \$75,000 Grand Prix. Mr. Vanderbilt's Oversight comes next, with \$81,000 to his credit.

BOOKER T.**TELLS OF THE PROGRESS MADE BY THE NEGRO RACE.**

Louisville, Ky., August 18.—A sketch of what the American negro has done since his emancipation in 1863 and a suggestion that the fiftieth anniversary of that emancipation be celebrated in 1913 were the features of Booker T. Washington's address before the National Negro Business league at its tenth annual meeting in this city tonight.

"When the league began work," said the speaker, "there were a few drug stores owned or controlled by black people. Now we have nearly 200. A few years ago there were only about half a dozen negro banks in the country, now there are forty-seven. Dry goods stores, grocery stores and industrial enterprises to the number of over 10,000 have sprung up in all parts of the country.

"A little more than forty years ago when the negro was made free he had almost no acres of land. Now he has an acreage almost as large as New England. Then he had almost no homes, now he has 400,000 homes. Then he had few farms, now he has 200,000 farms. Then he had no insurance; now he has several thousand. When the American negro was made free only about 3 per cent could read and write. Now fifty-seven per cent can both read and write. Then he had few churches, now he has 26,600 churches.

"Our work is not yet done. The years that are to come are to bring us in my opinion, even a larger degree of success and encouragement. And the greater part of this progress has taken place in the southern states. Right in the midst of people who once owned our bodies. Here, let me add, this growth could not have taken place until we had in each of these southern communities not a few white men who have believed in us and stood by us, stimulated and encouraged us."

ANOTHER SOLOMON STORY.

A Gloucestershire lady was reading the Old Testament to an aged woman who lived at the home for old people, and chanced upon the passage concerning Solomon's household.

"Had Solomon really 700 wives?" inquired the old lady, after reflection.

"Oh, yes, Mary! It is so stated in the Bible."

"Lor, mum?" was the comment. "What privileges them early Christians had?"

Since the announcement to subscribers in our issue of April 7, 1909, a controversy has arisen with reference to whom subscription arrears to the Weekly Register should be paid, and in order to relieve our subscribers of any embarrassment in this matter, we have concluded to relinquish any right we may have to such arrears.

We will, however, in accordance with our former announcement, make good all subscriptions to the Weekly Register paid in advance.

All persons owing the Weekly Register, can settle their account with the former owner of that paper, and as to old subscribers, the subscription year of the Point Pleasant Register will commence with the issue of April 7, 1909.

We desire to express our appreciation of the number of renewals already received, and to ask those who have not renewed, to do so as soon as possible, as otherwise we will be compelled to drop from our list those whose subscription accounts are in conflict with the stringent postal regulations now existing and heretofore published.

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Johannesburg, August 18.—The heaviest snow recorded in years fell here today. By noon six inches were on the ground, and late tonight nearly a foot of "the beautiful" was piled up on the streets. In many cases the drifts were a yard deep.

The telephone and telegraph services are out of commission, owing to many wires being down. Business has been almost entirely suspended, and the prospects are that commercial affairs will remain at a standstill for several days at least.

Members of the stock exchange became "kids" once more, as they stopped hearing the calls and fluctuations of stock long enough to troop into the streets and engage in a lively snowball battle.

While they were so engaged a number of street gamins appeared and erected a snow fort, challenging the staid brokers to drive them out. The stock members accepted the proffer of a battle, but were driven back to shelter when the gamins, re-enforced by several gangs, rushed from behind their entrenchment and drove the brokers back into the stock exchange.

IN HALL OF FAME.

Bronze statues of George Washington and Robert E. Lee, Virginia's contribution to the nation's "hall of fame," have been placed in the statutory hall at the national capital. Formal ceremonies attending the unveiling will take place at some time yet to be determined. Both statues are beautiful works of art. The Lee statue was designed by Edward V. Valentine, of Richmond, Va.

An interesting experiment is being made in the higher education of women at King's College, London. The idea is that there is just as much educational value in a careful study of the principles of managing the home and young children as in the course usually read for the taking of a degree.

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NOTICE.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Lewis District, Mason County, W. Va., held on the 10th day of August, 1909; it was ordered that an election be held in said school district at the various voting places in said district, on the 23rd day of August, 1909, for the purpose of getting authority to lay an additional levy of 20 cents on each \$100.00 valuation, for the current fiscal year. Said levy to be for the Building Fund, and to be expended in the purchase of lands for school house site and for the erection of school building thereon, in Fair Ground Sub-District, in said Lewis District.

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